## 107TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

## S. J. RES. 18

Memorializing fallen firefighters by lowering the United States flag to halfstaff on the day of the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial Service in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

July 10, 2001

Mr. Sarbanes (for himself, Mr. Biden, Mr. McCain, Mr. Campbell, Ms. Mikulski, and Mr. Carper) introduced the following joint resolution; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

## **JOINT RESOLUTION**

- Memorializing fallen firefighters by lowering the United States flag to half-staff on the day of the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial Service in Emmitsburg, Maryland.
- Whereas 1,200,000 men and women comprise the fire service in the United States;
- Whereas the fire service is considered one of the most dangerous jobs in the United States;
- Whereas fire service personnel selflessly respond to over 16,000,000 emergency calls annually, without reservation and with an unwavering commitment to the safety of their fellow citizens;
- Whereas fire service personnel are the first to respond to an emergency, whether it involves a fire, medical emergency,

spill of hazardous materials, natural disaster, act of terrorism, or transportation accident; and

Whereas approximately 100 fire service personnel die annually in the line of duty: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives
- 2 of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 That each year, the United States flags on all Federal fa-
- 4 cilities will be lowered to half-staff on the day of the Na-
- 5 tional Fallen Firefighters Memorial Service in Emmits-
- 6 burg, Maryland.

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